Remarks

The specification of the present application has been amended to cross-reference other applications relied upon for priority. All such previous applications are hereby incorporated by reference in their entirety. In addition, all of the claims originally filed in the PCT application have now been cancelled and replaced with new claims 5-24. The new claims are fully supported by the original claims and by the specification. Their entry is therefore respectfully requested.

Conclusion

In light of the amendments made herein, Applicants believe that the present application is now in condition for allowance. Early notice to this effect is earnestly solicited.

If, in the opinion of the Examiner, a phone call may help to expedite the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to call Applicants' undersigned attorney at (202) 419-7013.

Respectfully submitted,

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